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Price, \$24 per annum.

AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

M. R. J. LAMKE has been Admitted a PARTNER in my Firm, and the BUSINESS will be carried on from this date, under the Name of

STEEL & LAMKE.

Hongkong, February 1, 1882. fe28

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY OF Mr. W. KERFOOT HUGHES in our Firm CEASED on the 31st December last. The BUSINESS will be carried on, under the same Style, by Mr. WILLIAM LEGGE and Mr. EDWARD JONES HUGHES.

HUGHES & LEGGE.

Hongkong, January 14, 1882.

THE CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

FROM this Date and during the Absence of Mr. J. BRADLEE SMITH, Mr. D. MC LAURIN will Act as SECRETARY of the Company.

WM. REINERS,
Chairman,
Board of Directors.

Hongkong, February 1, 1882. mrl

NOTICE.

M. R. FREDERICK DEBLOIS BUSH is Admitted a PARTNER in our Firm from this date, and Mr. GEORGE H. WHEELER is authorized to Sign our Name.

RUSSELL & Co.

China, 1st January, 1882. ap6

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from H.M. NAVAL STOREKEEPER to Sell by Public Auction, on

WEDNESDAY,

the 22nd February, 1882, at Noon, at H. M. Naval Yard,—

SUNDAY CONDEMNED NAVAL AND VICTUALLING STORES,

comprising—

OLD IRON, LEATHER HORSES, IRON HOOPS, BISCUITS, CLOTHING, LAMPS, IMPLEMENTS, &c., &c.

TERMS OF SALE—As customary.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,

Government Auctioneer.

Hongkong, February 16, 1882. fe22

PUBLIC AUCTION

of

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, PIANO,

BILLIARD TABLE, &c., &c.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on

WEDNESDAY,

the 22nd February, 1882, at 2 p.m., at his Sales Rooms, Pedder's Wharf Buildings,—

THE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,

&c., &c.,

Of a GENTLEMAN leaving the Colony, consisting of—

ENGLISH-MADE CARTELINE-COVERED DRAWING-BOOK SUITE, OTTOMAN, MIRRORS,

WHATNOTS, CARD and SIDE TABLES, GRAND PIANO; by BROADWOOD & SONS; MAHOGANY DINING TABLE; TEAK SHIPBOARD GLASS,

CROCKERY and PLATED UTENSILS, MARBLE-TOP WASHING STANDS, WARDROBES, BEDROOMS, &c., &c.

Also,

A CAROM BILLIARD TABLE.

Catalogues will be issued previous to the Sale.

TERMS.—As customary.

G. R. LAMMERT,

Auctioneer.

Hongkong, February 17, 1882. fe22

To Let.

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NO. 4, Old BAILEY STREET,

KURRUMJEEAN, NO. 10, ALBANY

ROAD.

OFFICES in NO. 13, QUEEN'S ROAD

CENTRAL, NO. 9, SEYMOUR TERRACE.

Apply to

DAVID SASOON, SONS & Co.

Hongkong, February 15, 1882.

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—JUST RECEIVED.

BEST INDIAN SILVER JEWEL

ERY, of various kinds.

INDIAN CASHMERE SHAWLS,

SMOKING CAPS,

KUMPOOREE CHUDIERS; and

CASHMERE CLOTH, assorted, for

LADIES' DRESSES.

AT MODERATE PRICES.

N. M. KHANISA,

8 and 10, Peel Street,

Hongkong, January 28, 1882.

FOR SALE

J. U. L. E. M. M. & Co.'s

CHAMPAGNE.

Quarts... \$17 per 1 doz. Case.

\$18 per 2 doz.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

Hongkong, November 1, 1881.

FOR SALE

M. E. S. W. & J. LOKEIT'S Cele-

brated BRANDS, THREEFALL'S Ex-

port PALE ALE, and FINDLATER'S **

DUBLIN STOUT in Pints and Quarts.

FINE OLD PORT, in Cases of 1 dozen.

Also,

SILLERY MOUSSEAU (VIN DE

CHAMPAGNE), in Cases 2 dozen Pints and 1

dozen Quarts.

GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.

Hongkong, February 1, 1882.

NOTICE

THE Undersigned have been appointed

SOLE AGENTS for the Sale of their

GOODS by Messrs KYNOCH & Co., of

WITTON, near BIRMINGHAM.

MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, August 13, 1881. 13au2

For Sale.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

HAVE now a NEW and LARGE STOCK in the following Departments, viz.—

HOUSEHOLD STORES.

CROISSANT & BRAIDED BREAD, MUNCHIES, & PALMER'S, and AMERICAN BISCUITS; NEW MUSCATELLE, SCOTCH, OAT, CAVES, MACKENZIE'S ALBERT PLUMS, DESSERT FRUIT in Syrup, NOYEAU and BRANDY; STILTON, GORGONZA, PINE-APPLE and ALBERT CHEESE; NEW COSAQUES and CONFECTIERY.

BRANDIES—COUPONIERS, EXHIAW'S, and HENNESSY'S.

WHISKIES—BOURBON, WHISKY & CO., and MARCHAL'S, KIRKLAND'S, LL, and L. C. & Co.'s SPECIAL BLEND, RED HEAVY RUM, SQUASH and OLD TOM.

CHAMPAGNE—KOHNSTAMM, KUHNWEIT, CLARETS—MEDOC, HAUT MEDOC, and LAROQUE.

WHITE & BLACK, SUN FRUIT, and CHINA.

SHERRY—CARRASCO, MARASCHINO, NOYEAU and BRANDY BITTERS.

STATIONERY—For Office use—FANCY NOTE PAPER and CORRESPONDENCE CARDS, LETTERS, DIARIES, MEMO, and ACCOUNT BOOKS, OFFICE SUPPLIES.

Outfitting Department—GENTLEMEN'S HOSIERY in MEDIUM and STOUT MERINO, SCOTT WOOL and CASHMERE, SHIRTS in FRENCH PRINT, WHITE OXFORD, and LONG CLOTH; SCARVES, TIERS, COLLARS, and HANDKERCHIEFS; FOWNES CHEVRETTTE and CAPE, DRIVING GLOVES; BRACES, UMBRELLAS, TRAVELLING RUGS and CAPS, FELT and CORK HATS in New Shapes; WHITNEY and AMERICAN BLANKETS; OVERLAID STEEL, and LADIES' DRESS TRUNKS, PORTMANTEAUX, VALISES, BOOT CASES, HANDBAGS, &c.

HUNTS PORT, L. C. & Co.'s "R" POET, SKIRKLAND MOSSELLE & HOCK, CHANTEREAU, CURACAO, MARASCHINO, NOYEAU, and ANGOSTURA, BOREAL and ORANGE BITTERS.

TISSUE PAPER and CORRESPONDENCE CARDS, LETTERS, DIARIES, MEMO, and ACCOUNT BOOKS, OFFICE SUPPLIES.

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For Sale.

MacEWEN, FRICKEL & CO.
HAVE RECEIVED FOR SALE.

CHRISTMAS STORES AND NEW AND SEASONABLE GOODS.

EX FRENCH MAIL STEAMER.

MUSCATED RAISINS.
METZ FRUIT.
ASSORTED COSAQUES.
CAILLARD & BOWER'S CONFECTORY.
BUTTER SCOTCH.
HONEY SCOTCH.
ROSE TOFFEE.
LEMON TOFFEE.

Rose's LIME JUICE CORDIAL.
PLUM PUDDINGS.
PATRAS CURRANTS.
VALENCIA RAISINS.
MACKINNON PEN.
LIVERMORE PEN.
LAWN TENNIS BATS.
LAWN TENNIS BALLS.
LAWN TENNIS SHOES.

EX STEAKER "Glenfield."
STILTON CHEESE.
YORK HAMS.
CHRISTMAS CAKES.
TESSONHAUS DESSERT FRUITS.
ALMONDS AND RAISINS.
SMYRNA FIGS.

PICNIC TONGUES.
FILBERTS.
COCONUTINA.
VAN HOUTEN'S COCOA.
LINDNER & EPP'S COCOA.
FRENCH PLUMS.

HUNTER & PALMER'S BISCUITS.
FAUTE DE FOIE GRAS.
MINCEMEAT.
CHOCOLATE—MENIER.
SAUSAGES.
BEAUMA.

ISIGNY BUTTER.
DANISH BUTTER.
BREAKFAST TONGUES.
ANCHOVIES.
ASPARAGUS.
SOUPS, &c.

WINES AND SPIRITS.
CHAMPAGNES

HEDDERICK'S MONOPOLE & WHITE SEAL.

VEUVE CLICQUOT PONSARDIN.

JULLES MUMM & Co., pints & quarts.

CLARET.
CHATEAU LA ROSE, pints & quarts.
CHATEAU LAFITE, " "
IMRE GRAVES, " "
BREAKFAST CLARET, " "

SHERRIES & PORT—

SACCOMI'S MANZANILLA & AMON-

TILLADO.

SACCOMI'S OLD INVALID PORT

(1848).

HUNT'S PORT.

BRANDY, WHISKY, LIQUEURS, &

1, 2 & 3-star HENNESSY'S BRANDY.

BIRQUIT DOUTOGUE & CO. WHISKY.

FINEST OLD BOURBON WHISKY.

KINAHAN'S LI WHISKY.

ROYAL GLENDEE WHISKY.

CHARTREUSE.

MARASCHINO.

CURACAO.

ANGOSTURA.

BOKEH'S AND ORANGE BITTERS.

&c., &c., &c.

BASS'S ALE, bottled by CAMERON AND SCHAUDERS, pints and quarts.

GUINNESS'S STOUT, bottled by E. & J. BURKE, pints and quarts.

PILSENER BEER in quarts.

DRAUGHT ALE AND PORTER, by the gallon.

ALE AND PORTER, in hogheads.

EX AMERICAN MAIL.

FRESH ROLL BUTTER.

Eastern and Californian CHEESE.

Hotels CODFISH.

Prime HAMS AND BACON.

Russian CAVIARE.

Eagle Brand Condensed MILK.

PEACH AND APPLE BUTTER.

Pickled OX-TONGUES.

Family PIG-PORK in kegs and pieces.

Paragon MACKEREL in 5 lb cans.

Cutting's Desert FRUITS in 24 lb cans.

" Assorted (Canned) VEGETABLES,

Potted SAUSAGE and Sausage MEAT.

Stuffed PEPPERS.

Assorted PICKLES.

MINCEMEAT.

COMB HONEY in Original Frames.

Richardson & Robbin's Celebrated Potted MEATS.

Richardson & Robbin's Curried OYSTERS.

Lunch TONGUE.

McCarthy's Sugar LEMONADE.

Clam CHOWDER.

Smoked SALMON.

Green TURTLE in 2½ lb cans.

&c., &c., &c.

YACHT & PICNIC SUPPLIES.

CALIFORNIA RACKER

COMPANY'S BISCUITS in 5 lb tins, loaves.

Alphabetical BISCUITS.

Fancy Sweet Mixed BISCUITS.

Ginger CAKES.

Soda BISCUITS.

Oyster BISCUITS.

Cracked WHEAT.

OATMEAL.

CORNMEAL.

BUCKWHEAT FLOUR.

RYE MEAL.

SESPECIALLY SELECTED CIGARS.

Fine New Season's OUMSHAW TEA, in 6 and 10 catty Boxes.

BREAKFAST CONGOU @ 25 cents p. lb.

SHIPHANDLER of every Description.

BIGGING and SAIL-MAKING promptly executed.

Hongkong, January 25, 1882.

Entertainment.

To-day's Advertisements.

THEATRE ROYAL,
CITY HALL.
TUESDAY 1st, G.
MONDAY, 20th February, 1882.

**GRAND MAGICAL, MUSICAL,
OPTICAL AND COMICAL
PERFORMANCE.**
Hongkong, February 20, 1882. fe22

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHEW.
The Steamship
"Pekin,"
Captain Amort, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 21st instant, at 10 a.m.

Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAK & Co.
Hongkong, February 20, 1882. fe22

FOR SWATOW, AMOY, TAMSUI AND TATWANFOO.
The Steamship
"Abey,"
Capt. Lightwood, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 22nd Inst., at Daylight, instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAK & Co.
Hongkong, February 20, 1882. fe22

THE INDIAN MAIL.
THE VOYAGE THROUGH THE AIR.
THE SIAM FLUTE.
THE GARIBOLDI.
THE DELHI CHAFOT.

FOR PARTICULARS SEE HANDBILLS.

PRICES OF ADMISSION:
Dress Circle and Stalls, Two Dollars.
Pits, One Dollar.

Tickets to be had from MESSRS KELLY & WALSH, and at the Doors on the Night of Performance.

Doors open at 8.00 p.m.; Performance to commence at 9 p.m., precisely.

VIYAT R. KHINA.
Hongkong, February 16, 1882. fe21

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR HOLLOW, PAKHOI AND HAIPHONG.

The Steamship
"Pekin,"
Capt. McCosh, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 26th instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, February 20, 1882. fe22

FOR PORTLAND, OREGON.
The 3½ L.L. American Bark
"Edwin Rock,"
Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quiet despatch.

For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, February 20, 1882.

FOR VICTORIA (VANCOUVER'S ISLAND.)

The A 1 American Ship
"W. J. Riche,"
Capt. Bray, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will be despatched on or about the 25th Inst.

For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, February 20, 1882.

FOR LONDON.
MESSRS HOLLAND, BALFOUR & HAMILTON, 2, CUSHION COURT, OLD BOND STREET, LONDON.

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MESSRS TURQUAND, YOUNGS & CO., 41, COLEMEN STREET, LONDON.

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pleasure at the occurrence, which he thought showed that the generous sympathy, which had been the distinguishing characteristic of Englishmen in the past, was not dying out. The boys had they inflicted some numerous cases in the colony, might have taken a very different course. They might have resolved themselves into a protection association against the irritation of the Mongolian hordes, typified by the small Chinese boy who came to sweep off their prizes with his immoral competition. They might have passed a measure imposing a prohibitory poll tax upon him, and putting him in quarantine for three months on account of his likelihood to infect them with small-pox. They might have become law-kings for the occasion, like those young Russians whom the City Bench the other day set off with that ridiculous light sentence, and hit the Chinese boy "in the mouth loosening nearly all his teeth." Instead of that, they behaved like young English gentlemen, and cheered the little Chinaman who in fair competition with them had won a prize. How the souls of our Berry and Woodsons must revile at this atrocious instance of the domineering and unrighteous effects of high-class education!

THAT the line of P. & O. mail steamer running fortnightly between Hongkong and Japan, touching at Nagasaki both ways, has become a thoroughly established institution may be judged from the fact that it is contemplated substituting larger vessels for those doing duty at present. We are informed that the Co.'s S. S. *Sundari*, 2480 tons register and 2,200 h.p., will take the place of the *Makuta*, which vessel, on her return from Yokohama, proceeds to Bombay; whilst in order to allow of the *Sundari* remaining behind in Hongkong on the trip, we believe the *Sundari* is the next vessel from that port. As the larger vessel steams faster, it will permit of her calling at both ways, instead of on the down trip only, as heretofore, and it is more than probable a similar ship to the *Sundari* will even take the place of the *Sunda*.—*Newspaper Express*.

SIAM seems to be troubled with Secret Societies. The *Siam Advertiser* of January 28th says:—There were no less than five different societies on parade last Friday in the great street of the city, with flowing banners and noisy music, and the great display became quite a nuisance to people pursuing their business in the great thoroughfare. It was only noise and commotion on Friday—but in the great market street, there are fights which drive the people to their houses, while the societies, taking law into their own hands, rush with knives, and clubs to the combat and beat and kill, even while the police stand by watching the issue, powerless to hinder. Many of these Chinamen are under the protection of the different consuls. Doubtless, the many governments in Siam are a blessing. If

Siam had all the advantages of international law, in the present state of the government, it would be beyond its power to control the varied elements, but when Siam becomes Christian and educated and strong it will become a blessing to have a central power from which there is no escape. There are Siamese even at the present time who adopt Chinese and other costumes to escape Siamese law.

PRIVATE advices from Adelaide state that a company, called the North Australian Company, has been formed in that city by a few gentlemen acting in conjunction with European capitalists, who believe that the Northern Territory offers a legitimate and profitable field for the judicious investment of capital in mining, agricultural and pastoral ventures. The shareholders have nominated one of their number Mr Thomas Hardy, to inspect and report upon the resources of the country. Mr Hardy proposes to proceed to Hongkong, and thence to London, after spending a few weeks in the Territory. One very good feature in connection with the company is that some of its most prominent shareholders have resided in the country for years, and are well acquainted with its great capabilities. The present Government appears very anxious to do all in its power to further the interests of the Territory, and will no doubt make such arrangements as will facilitate the Company's projects. Major Ferguson will shortly start for Calcutta to arrange with the Indian Government the various details preliminary to the introduction of Coolie labour on a large scale, without which the successful prosecution of works on a large scale would be impracticable.—*Straits Times*.

FIRE NEAR THE GOVERNMENT CIVIL HOSPITAL. Last evening a little after seven o'clock fire broke out in house No. 150 Queen's Road West situated immediately below the Government Civil Hospital and the flames latterly got hold of 152. The house was a ratan manufactory and store, and the flames spread very rapidly, having full possession of the second and third floors by the time the fire brigades arrived. The flames rose to a great height, and the sparks were driven by what little wind there was in the direction of the Government Civil Hospital. It is fortunate that nothing of an inflammable nature was lying about that building. Some time after the fire broke out, and while a number of European and Chinese firemen were on the ground floor playing water on the burning mass, the floors above them gave way, and the whole of the closely-piled ratans fell through, with the result that at least one life has been lost, and the probability that another has been sacrificed. P. C. Robert Anderson, who was about midway between the entrance and the back of the house, was buried under the ratans and instantaneously killed. His body was found a little after three o'clock this morning. He had been in the force for about four years and was of a frank and obliging disposition, and will be regretted by his fellow officers. It is supposed that one Chinaman is still under the debris, but up to the hour of writing his body has not been found. At the same time as poor Anderson was killed Goodwin, of Gibb, Livingston & Co., had a very narrow escape. When the floor fell he had been standing near the door and was struck and knocked out into the street. When taken up he was a good deal shaken and stunned, besides being cut about the face. He was sent home after he had somewhat recovered. Efforts were at once made by willing volunteers to extricate the men, and had been grasped in the act of putting

the difficulties that surround it. Public convenience and safety are the essentials to be studied, and when those determine all right, public opinion will be satisfied and secure a guaranteed certainty.

ROADSTER.

[The question, apart from the facilities which a double line furnishes for the adoption of the endless-rope system, simply resolves itself into this, Will the small inconveniences caused by the double tramway be counterbalanced by the permanent convenience of the Tramway itself? We think they will; and time will show that the traffic can easily work itself into a smooth system. —Ed. C. M.]

"WHO'S TALLACK?"

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."

20th February.

SIR.—The execrable taste which Mr William Tallack, "Secretary of the Howard Association," has displayed in sending to the papers (as published in the *London and China Express* of 13th January), his reply to Mr F. Bulkeley Johnson, without publishing at the same time Mr Johnson's communication to the "Secretary of the said Association," can not be understood. Of some kind must have taken place. This of course is a matter for the police and Insurance offices, but certainly that the building is completely gutted should think it would be extremely difficult to verify any such rumour. This has been extremely prolific of late, and searching inquiry should be made into their source. The highest prize is due to all the fire brigades, who have been sorely tried lately, and have endured an excessive amount of disfigurement.

The letter to Mr Johnson is, itself, in the very worst possible "form," and it will be odd if "William Tallack, Secretary of the Howard Association," does not specify when so when he gives effect to his intention of "laying this correspondence before our Committee." He, in the meantime, remained Mr Johnson's "very respectful," Mr William Tallack, Secretary of the Howard Association, but *but* this little island he in the meantime suggests the enquiry "Who's Tallack?"

Yours obedient servant,

SALVE! (TALLACK.)

"NON EQUUM INVIDES MORTUUS."

[Mr Tallack is, presumably, the Howard Association, and the Howard Association is presumably mimetic to anything which touches savours of cruelty and oppression. As Mr Tallack has never read up Hongkong, he does not understand it. Probably, therefore, the two Sir Johns, of Hongkong, are more to blame than Mr Tallack. That is to say, for the erroneous impressions entertained about this Colony—not for the impertinence and bad taste displayed in this particular case.—Ed. C. M.]

Police Intelligence.

(Before H. E. Wodehouse, Esq.)

Monday, Feb. 20.

THE EFFECT OF EATING SWEETMEATS. James Chance, private in the 3rd Drills, was charged with being drunk and disorderly, and with assaulting the Police, on the 17th instant.

The complainant had along with four other soldiers entered an eating house in Queen's Road Central and commenced to eat the sweetmeats, and had behaved himself in such a manner that the shepherd went for a policeman. A Sikh constable then asked them to leave the shop. The others did so, but the defendant kicked the constable and ran. The constable caught him, but some other soldiers soon released the defendant, who again made off, but was caught a second time on the Praya. The defendant besides further abusing the Sikh, gave a Chinese constable, who came to assist in his apprehension, a black eye. According to defendant's version he did take some articles, and intended to pay for them, but before he had an opportunity to do this the constable came and shoved him in the gutter, which made him angry and he struck the constable. The rest of the proceedings he admitted to being true, so far as he knew. The defendant bore an excellent character in his regiment, and was possessed of a good conduct badge.

The Magistrate fined him three dollars, in default seven days' imprisonment with hard labour.

DISORDERLY "YANKEES."

William Ross, William Colfins, and John Callum, seamen on board the American ship *Blue Jacket* were convicted of being drunk and disorderly and assaulting the police on the 10th instant. They also destroyed the turban of one of the Sikh constables who arrested them. The first was fined 20 cents or one day's imprisonment, and the two others were fined 50 cents in default two days' imprisonment, and each to pay 75 cents amends to the constable at the next Annual Meeting.

The General Managers have now submitted to the Shareholders the Thirteenth Annual Report of the Company.

The Account for 1881 shows a net profit of \$212,000, a whole of which is available for Dividends to Shareholders on an augmentation of Reserve Fund, Contributors of business having received a Bonus of 20 per cent at the time of effecting their Insurances. The General Managers, with the consent of the Council Committee, propose to deal with the profit thus divisible as follows:

Addition to Reserve Fund (increasing same to \$225,812), \$2,000

Dividend of \$15 per Share, 150,000

thus absorbing, ...\$212,000.

The Working Account for 1881 results in a balance of \$263,403.72 at credit, after debiting the Bonus of 20 per cent which was allowed in cash to every Contributor up to the 10th May last, and which is still paid at some Agencies of the Company, where the reduced Rates inaugurated by Honé Offices at that time have not extended. The only known deductions to be made from this balance amount to about \$14,000 being for claims incurred since December 31st, and subject to any further losses attaching to Policies issued in 1881; the balance will be available for appropriation at the next Annual Meeting.

The General Managers and Consulting Committee have after careful consideration opened Agencies of the Company at Calcutta, Madras, and Bombay, at which ports it is hoped that good constituencies will gradually be formed. Business was expected to commence during last month.

CONSULTING COMMITTEE.—The vacancy caused by Mr Andra's departure was filled by the appointment of Mr Rojers, and the present Members Messrs T. Jackson, A. P. MacEwan, A. T. Minter, J. H. des Rameaux, and W. Reiner offer themselves for re-election.

AUDITORS.—Messrs Henry Smith and A. Coxon offer themselves for re-election.

JARDINE, MATHEWS & CO., GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 10th February, 1882.

CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."

20th February.

SIR.—It would have been better, I think, if the concession to the local Tramway Scheme had, in the first instance, been confined to laying down and working of a single line of rail. While admitting that the occasions for opposite trains passing each other will be only of such small duration as to be of but little practical consideration as to public inconvenience, I contend that a double line of rail's will, with their Board of Trade marshals, necessarily involve the full occupation of the entire width of Queen's Road by the Tramway Company at frequent, but short, periods during the working hours of the day. In these parts of the Street where covered footways prevail and repairs or erections are necessary, householders and builders will be obliged to restrict their building materials and scaffolding to a narrow limit, and will have to undergo some obvious inconveniences which, however, are not quite insuperable. The effectual working of the scheme implies the abolition, total or partial, of street vending, or the alternative of additional footpath obstruction. This latter will, I apprehend, be unavoidable from the well-known humanitarian propensities of our worthy Governor. It hardly requires to say anything regarding the difficulties that may arise from divided or clashing interests. I have no desire to be a prophet of ill-omen. In Asiatic countries where Tramways are in operation, conspicuously Calcutta, accidents appear to be a rule with, and ever-recurring prosecutions inseparable from, their working. So that if our local undertaking is to be a success, which I sincerely desire, it can be only accomplished by a correct appreciation of

the difficulties that surround it. Public convenience and safety are the essentials to be studied, and when those determine all right, public opinion will be satisfied and secure a guaranteed certainty.

ROADSTER.

[The question, apart from the facilities which a double line furnishes for the adoption of the endless-rope system, simply resolves itself into this, Will the small inconveniences caused by the double tramway be counterbalanced by the permanent convenience of the Tramway itself? We think they will; and time will show that the traffic can easily work itself into a smooth system. —Ed. C. M.]

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NEWS BY THE ENGLISH MAIL.

The following telegrams are from our Singapore and Indian files:—

EUROPEAN.

London. Jan. 19.—Mr. Chubbs, the Secretary of State for War, addressing his constituents yesterday, said the effect of army reform on recruiting was very marked in all the branches of the service, and that it was fast gaining popularity. He did not desire to introduce any further great changes at present. But he wished to give matters a rest in order to carefully work out reforms already effected.

Jan. 20.—The detection of O'Brien and

McKnight, privates of the Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers, in board the *Andromeda*; and Vincent Zebra, seaman on board the *Wasp*, in the *Antelope*, the Senior Lieutenant of the Royal Humane Society for gallantry in saving life, and has been serving since Sept. 1879, as gunnery-lieutenant to the *Venerable*. Commander A. F. Grosley is the senior of December, 1868, was formerly flag-lieutenant to Sir George Elliot at Portsmouth, and has been in command of the *Cherub*, gunboat, of Harwich, since January last. Commander G. R. Bremner, a son of the late Sir R. M. Bremner, Assistant-Governor of the Navy, and Lieutenant-Colonel of the Royal Artillery, has been promoted three months. Desultory fighting is taking place in Herzegovina. The Austrian Government has protested against the ambiguous attitude of the Turkish Consul at Ragusa.

Jan. 21.—An influential meeting of Ulster tenant farmers has been held, at which resolutions were adopted, demanding a land commission for each county, and an extension of the Land Act. The reductions in rent are considered inadequate.

Jan. 22.—The *Standard* publishes a telegram stating that an insurrection has broken out in the Yemen district of Arabia, through returned soldiers proclaiming a rebellion.

A fight ensued, lasting from morning till night, and resulting in a loss of 200 insurgents.

Jan. 23.—The Turkish troops are asking for reinforcements.

Jan. 24.—Lieut. General Charles Tyrwhitt, C. B., has been appointed Private Secretary to the Commander-in-Chief.

A meeting having recently been called at Manison House for the purpose of assembling the principal Russian Jews, the *Journal de St. Petersburg* has published an article strongly denouncing the movement as being founded on hatred for Russia.

Jan. 25.—The Lord Lieutenant, in reply to a deputation of the Dublin Corporation, said that under the present circumstances it was impossible to release suspects.

A Conservative has been elected for the North Riding of Yorkshire.

Jan. 26.—The first battalion of the 5th Regiment has been ordered to Dublin.

Jan. 27.—The incident arising out of the collective vote to Egypt is expected to be amicably arranged without further diplomatic correspondence.

St. Petersburg. Jan. 29.—The man who attempted to shoot General Tscherevino last November has been sentenced to death, and his accomplices to twenty years' imprisonment.

Paris. Jan. 27.—The French Ministry has resigned owing to the rejection of a bill to reform the Constitution by the Chamber of Deputies.

INDIAN TELEGRAMS.

Calcutta. Jan. 19.—The ship *Councillor*, which arrived here yesterday, reports having, on the 31st December, experienced an earthquake in latitude 35° N., longitude 92° 49' E., which lasted ten minutes. The Captain thought the ship had struck a rock. On the 1st January in lat. 82° 20' N., long. 92° 42' E., near the Nicobar, three streaks were felt, each lasting about a minute, while the whole of the south-west end of this island was hidden by a cloud of smoke.

Jan. 21.—Three important Resolutions of the Government of India appear in to-day's issue of the *Gazette of India*. The first regards the sale of salt; the second deals with the constitution and management of Government Treasuries; and the third gives a further explanation of the Decentralisation scheme. The rules of the Government of India regarding the sale of property by officials which were recently republished, are now declared to be incapable of being applied to *lend-lease* transactions, with regard to *lend-lease* debts.

Now has been received from Nepal dated 20th, that no executions had occurred since the 10th, but severely repressive measures had been taken. Large gifts of money had been distributed to the priests and troops. It is reported that the Amritanandamayi has been serving since the 1st January in the *Shambhu*, a ship which was captured by the *Amritanandamayi* in the *Amritanandamayi* in the *Amritanandamayi* in the *Amritanandamayi* in the <i



Mails.

Visitors' Column.

STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, PENANG, POINT DE
GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID,
MALTA, GIBRALTAR, BRINDISI,
ANCONA, VENICE, PLYMOUTH,
AND LONDON;

BOMBAY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, AND
AUSTRALIA.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills
of Lading for BATAVIA, PERSIAN
GULF PORTS, MARSEILLES,
TRISTE, HAMBURG, NEW YORK
AND BOSTON.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship
THIBET, Captain J. REEVES, with
Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched
from this for BOMBAY, on TUESDAY,
the 21st February, 1882, at 4 p.m.

Cargo will be received on board until
10 a.m. on the day of departure.

Parcels and Specie (Gold) at the Office
until 10 a.m. on the day of departure.

Silk and Valuables for Europe will be
transhipped at Point de Galle; but Powdery
Gum and Cargo at Bombay, arriving one
week later than by the direct route via
Gallo.

For further particulars regarding
FREIGHT and PASSAGE, apply to the
PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGA-
TION COMPANY'S Office, Hongkong.

The Contents and Value of Packages are
required to be declared prior to shipment.

Shippers are particularly requested to
note the terms and conditions of the Com-
pany's Black Bills of Lading.

Passengers to England are now booked
to London instead of Southampton, as
herefore.

A. MCIVER, Superintendent,
Hongkong, February 9, 1882.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR

SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
POINT DE GALLE, COLOMBO,
ADEN, SUEZ, ISMAILIA, JAPAN,
SAID, SYRIAN PORTS, NAPLES,
MARSEILLES, AND PORTS OF
BRAZIL, AND LA PLATA;

1882.

PONDICHERY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA
AND ALL INDIAN PORTS.

ON MONDAY, the 25th of February,
1882, at noon, the Company's S. S.
HAUADDY, Commandant PARQUETTE,
with MAILED, PASSENGERS, SPECIE,
and CARGO, will leave this Port for the
above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for
London, as well as for Marseilles, and ac-
cepted in transit through Marseilles for the
principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted until
Noon of 25th February.

Cargo will be received on board until 4
p.m., Specie and Parcels until 5 p.m., on
the 25th February, 1882. (Parcels are not
to be sent on board; they must be left at
the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are re-
quired.

For further particulars, apply at the
Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent,

Hongkong, February 15, 1882.

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP
COMPANY.THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA
OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING
AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship CITY OF
DAY will be despatched for San
Francisco, via Yokohama, on WEDNES-
DAY, the 1st March, 1882, at 3 p.m., taking
Passengers, and Freight, for Japan, the
United States, and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for trans-
portation to Yokohama and other Japan
Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and
Inland Cities of the United States, via Over-
land Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and
Doravaria, and to ports in Mexico, Central
and South America, by the Company's and
connecting Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to
England, France, and Germany, by all
trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

On prepaid RETURN PASSAGE TICKETS a
Reduction of 25% is made.

Freight will be received on board until 4
p.m. on the 25th instant. Parcel-Packages
will be received at the office until 5 p.m.,
same day; all Parcel Packages should be
marked to address in full; value of same
is required.

Consignee Invoices to accompany Overland
Cargo should be sent to the Company's
Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the
Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage
and Freight, apply to the Agency of the
Company, No. 6, Queen's Road Central.

T. E. POSTED.

Gen. Agent for China & Japan.

Hongkong, February 7, 1882.

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Occidental & Oriental Steam-
Ship Company.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS
TO JAPAN, THE UNITED
STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND
SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE.

VIA

THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS,
AND ATLANTIC & OTHER CONNECTING
STEAMERS.

THE S. S. BELGIC will be despatched
for San Francisco via Yokohama,
on SATURDAY, the 11th March, 1882,
at 3 p.m.

Connections being made at Yokohama,
with Steamers from Shanghai and Japan
ports.

All Parcel Packages should be marked to
address in full; and same will be received
at the Company's Office, until 5 p.m., the
day previous to sailing.

A Reduction of 25% made on all
RETURN PASSAGE TICKETS ISSUED.

Consular Invoices to accompany Over-
land, Mexican, Central and South American
Cargo, should be sent to the Company's
Office, addressed to the Collector of Cus-
toms, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight
or Passage, apply to the Agency of the
Company, No. 504, Queen's Road Central.

OHAS. H. HASWELL, JR.

Agent.

Hongkong, February 16, 1882.

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SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS.

FEB. 20, 1882.

Stocks.	No. of Shares.	Value.	Paid-up.	Reserve.	Working Account.	Last Dividend.	Closing Quotations.	Cash.
BANKS.								
HK. and S'hai Bank.	40,000 \$	125 \$	125 \$	32,100,000 \$	63,639.45	40	* 111 @ 112 %	
INVESTMENTS.								
Nth. China Ins.	1,000 TL	2,000 TL	600 TL	238,000 TL	261,664.91 TL	75	* 11.1776 p.s.h.	
Yangtze Ins.	1,200 TL	3,500 TL	350 TL	500,488 TL	18,447.56	12	* 11.880	
Union Ins. Soc.	500 \$	2,600 \$	500 \$	381,728 \$	437,662.58	24	* 14.273	\$1000.
China Traders								
Imperial.	600 \$	1,000 \$	500 \$	475,000 \$	91,928.40	20%	* 11600	
Coton Ins. Office	10,000 \$	250 \$	50 \$	100,000 \$	851 per share			
HK. Fire Ins.	2,000 \$	1,000 \$	200 \$	761,842 \$	226,847.81	871	* 5870	
China Fire Ins.	4,000 \$	500 \$	100 \$	435,984 \$	103,029.68	18%	* 5000	

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Section.

1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.

2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works.

3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office.

4. From Harbour Master's Office to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at Green Island: Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked *a*, near the Kowloon shore *b*, and those in the body of the Harbour are marked *c*, in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section.

1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.

2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works.

3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office.

4. From Harbour Master's Office to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.

5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf.

6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.

7. From Naval Yard to the Pier.

8. From Pier to East Point.

Remarks.

Vessel's Name.

Date of Arrival.

Consignees or Agents.

Destination.

Remarks.

Steamers.

Captain.